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## HOUSE RESOLUTION 2009

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF GERALDINE MCDONALD.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Geraldine ("Gerri") McDonald passed away on April 30, 2002 in Phoenix,  
2 Arizona with her family by her side.

3 Gerri McDonald was born on October 25, 1936 in Horatio, Arkansas to  
4 Leroy and Alpha McDonald. She was the seventh of their nine children. The  
5 McDonald family moved to Phoenix in 1945. Gerri McDonald attended Mary  
6 McLeod Bethune Elementary School and graduated from Carver High School.  
7 Shortly after graduating from high school, she accepted a position with the  
8 City of Phoenix Housing Department where she remained employed for thirty  
9 years until her retirement in 1996. A deeply religious person, Gerri  
10 McDonald joined Wesley Methodist Church when she moved to Phoenix as a young  
11 girl and later found a home in the New Home Baptist Church.

12 Dedicated to her community, Gerri McDonald was involved in numerous  
13 civic organizations. She was one of the original founders of the West  
14 Buckeye Road Unified Neighborhood Association that was instrumental in  
15 fighting neighborhood crime and providing summer programs, tutoring services  
16 and hot meals to neighborhood youth. Gerri McDonald also served as  
17 chairperson of Juneteenth Tradition, Inc., where she worked passionately to  
18 further Phoenix celebrations of Juneteenth, the end of slavery in the United  
19 States and celebrating emancipation. As a Daughter of Grand Canyon Temple  
20 #477, she served as Assistant Daughter Ruler and worked diligently on the  
21 Education Committee. Gerri McDonald was also a member of the Sportsmen's  
22 Club, the Funriders and the Combined Fraternal Order of South Phoenix, Inc.

23 Gerri McDonald will be greatly missed by her family, her many friends  
24 and the people of the State of Arizona.

25 Therefore

26 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

27 That the Members of the Legislature sincerely regret the passing of  
28 Geraldine McDonald and extend their deepest sympathies to her daughters,  
29 Christie Turner, Lisa Moore, Domineca Hutchison and Donna Samuels, sons,  
30 Durousher Hutchison and Gary Cox, five sisters, one brother, ten  
31 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, nephew Gerald Humphrey as well as  
32 her other caring family members and many friends.

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Jake Flake  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Pro Tempore

Herman L. Moore  
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

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This Resolution was received by the Secretary of State

This 14 day of May, 2002

at 3:47 o'clock P M.

Butch Bayless  
Secretary of State